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1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION**S. 1487**

To authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to establish a program to issue Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Cards, and for other purposes.

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**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

AUGUST 2, 2011

Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. INOUE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

NOVEMBER 3, 2011

Reported by Mr. LIEBERMAN, with an amendment

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Asia-Pacific Economic  
3 Cooperation Business Travel Cards Act of 2011”.

4 **SEC. 2. ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION BUSINESS**  
5 **TRAVEL CARDS.**

6 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
7 rity, in coordination with the Secretary of State, is author-  
8 ized to establish a mechanism by which the Secretary of  
9 Homeland Security may issue Asia-Pacific Economic Co-  
10 operation Business Travel Cards (referred to in this sec-  
11 tion as “ABT Cards”) to any eligible person, including  
12 business leaders and United States Government officials  
13 who are actively engaged in Asia-Pacific Economic Co-  
14 operation business. An individual may not receive an ABT  
15 Card under this section unless the individual has been ap-  
16 proved and is in good standing in an international trusted  
17 traveler program of the Department of Homeland Secu-  
18 rity.

19 (b) **INTEGRATION WITH EXISTING TRAVEL PRO-**  
20 **GRAMS.**—The Secretary of Homeland Security may inte-  
21 grate application procedures for, and issuance, suspension,  
22 and revocation of, ABT Cards with other appropriate  
23 international trusted traveler programs of the Department  
24 of Homeland Security.

1       (c) COOPERATION WITH PRIVATE ENTITIES.—In  
2 carrying out this section, the Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
3 rity may consult with appropriate private sector entities.

4       (d) RULEMAKING.—The Secretary of Homeland Se-  
5 curity, in coordination with the Secretary of State, may  
6 prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry  
7 out this section, including regulations regarding conditions  
8 of or limitations on eligibility for an ABT Card.

9       (e) FEE.—

10           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland  
11 Security may—

12               (A) prescribe and collect a fee for the  
13 issuance of ABT Cards; and

14               (B) adjust such fee to the extent the Sec-  
15 retary determines to be necessary to comply  
16 with paragraph (2).

17           (2) LIMITATION.—The Secretary of Homeland  
18 Security shall ensure that the total amount of the  
19 fees collected under paragraph (1) during any fiscal  
20 year is sufficient to offset the direct and indirect  
21 costs associated with carrying out this section during  
22 such fiscal year.

23           (3) ACCOUNT FOR COLLECTIONS.—There is es-  
24 tablished in the Treasury of the United States an  
25 “APEC Business Travel Card Account” into which

1 the fees collected under paragraph (1) shall be de-  
 2 posited as offsetting receipts.

3 (4) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts deposited into  
 4 the APEC Business Travel Card Account—

5 (A) shall be credited to the appropriate ac-  
 6 count of the Department of Homeland Security  
 7 for expenses incurred in carrying out this sec-  
 8 tion; and

9 (B) shall remain available until expended.

10 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
 11 are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of  
 12 Homeland Security such sums as may be necessary to im-  
 13 plement this section.

14 (g) TERMINATION OF PROGRAM.—The Secretary of  
 15 Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of  
 16 State, may terminate activities under this section if the  
 17 Secretary of Homeland Security determines such action  
 18 to be in the interest of the United States.

19 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

20 *This Act may be cited as the “Asia-Pacific Economic*  
 21 *Cooperation Business Travel Cards Act of 2011”.*

22 **SEC. 2. ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION BUSINESS**  
 23 **TRAVEL CARDS.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—During the 7-year period ending  
 25 on September 30, 2018, the Secretary of Homeland Secu-

1 rity, in coordination with the Secretary of State, is author-  
2 ized to issue Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business  
3 Travel Cards (referred to in this section as “ABT Cards”)  
4 to any eligible person, including business leaders and  
5 United States Government officials who are actively en-  
6 gaged in Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation business. An  
7 individual may not receive an ABT Card under this section  
8 unless the individual has been approved and is in good  
9 standing in an international trusted traveler program of  
10 the Department of Homeland Security.

11 (b) *INTEGRATION WITH EXISTING TRAVEL PRO-*  
12 *GRAMS.*—The Secretary of Homeland Security may inte-  
13 grate application procedures for, and issuance, suspension,  
14 and revocation of, ABT Cards with other appropriate inter-  
15 national trusted traveler programs of the Department of  
16 Homeland Security.

17 (c) *COOPERATION WITH PRIVATE ENTITIES.*—In car-  
18 rying out this section, the Secretary of Homeland Security  
19 may consult with appropriate private sector entities.

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21 rity, in coordination with the Secretary of State, may pre-  
22 scribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry out  
23 this section, including regulations regarding conditions of  
24 or limitations on eligibility for an ABT Card.

25 (e) *FEE.*—

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2     *Security may—*

3                 (A) *prescribe and collect a fee for the*  
4     *issuance of ABT Cards; and*

5                 (B) *adjust such fee to the extent the Sec-*  
6     *retary determines to be necessary to comply with*  
7     *paragraph (2).*

8           (2) *LIMITATION.*—*The Secretary of Homeland*  
9     *Security shall ensure that the total amount of the fees*  
10    *collected under paragraph (1) during any fiscal year*  
11    *is sufficient to offset the direct and indirect costs asso-*  
12    *ciated with carrying out this section during such fis-*  
13    *cal year, including the costs associated with estab-*  
14    *lishing the program.*

15           (3) *ACCOUNT FOR COLLECTIONS.*—*There is estab-*  
16    *lished in the Treasury of the United States an*  
17    *“APEC Business Travel Card Account” into which*  
18    *the fees collected under paragraph (1) shall be depos-*  
19    *ited as offsetting receipts.*

20           (4) *USE OF FUNDS.*—*Amounts deposited into the*  
21    *APEC Business Travel Card Account—*

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23     *count of the Department of Homeland Security*  
24     *for expenses incurred in carrying out this sec-*  
25     *tion; and*

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3 *Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of*  
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